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GUATEMALA.

Report from Livingston—Fruit port.

LIVINGSTON, GUATEMALA, June 19, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor hereby to submit my report for the week ended June 19:

The health of this port is excellent; not even the usual malarial fevers for this period of the year being extant. One whole household, however, has become infected with the "dermatobia" (Osler), which gives rise to a painful and indolent abscess accompanied with fever. No passengers or news from San Salvador. Inspected the following ship: June 19, steamship *Stillwater*; cargo, general merchandise; number of crew, 32; number of passengers, 11. All in good sanitary condition. Certificate inclosed.

Respectfully,

SAMUEL HARRIS BACKUS,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

HONDURAS.

Report from Puerto Cortez—Fruit port.

PUERTO CORTEZ, HONDURAS, June 21, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to submit report for week ended June 21, 1900, with a list of vessels inspected and cleared during the week.

The health and sanitary conditions of the port and adjacent country continue good. No deaths during week. Only a few cases of malarial fever in the port.

Respectfully,

R. H. PETERS,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine Hospital Service.

[Inclosure.]

List of vessels inspected and cleared during the week ended Thursday, June 21, 1900.

Date.	Vessel.	Master.	Crew.	Destination.	Number of passengers.	Number of pieces of baggage disinfected.
June 16	Nor. ss. Espana	Danielsen	14	Mobile	4	2
Do....	Nor. ss. Bratten	Hohn	15do.....		
June 19	Am. 2-m. sch. Edith and May	Kranshaar	6	New York.....		
June 20	Am. ss Stillwater.....	Galt	32	New Orleans	3	5
June 21	Br ss. Usk	A. Hurry	18	Mobile		
Do....	Nor. ss. Jamaica	E. Petersen.....	16	New Orleans		

IRELAND.

Report from Queenstown.

QUEENSTOWN, IRELAND, June 23, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith the weekly abstract of bills of health and to report on the transactions at this port for the week ended to-day as follows: June 17, Cunard Line steamship *Lucania*, for

New York, 20 saloon, 39 second cabin, and 191 steerage passengers, with 385 pieces of baggage passed. June 18, Norwegian bark *Arizona*, to Ship Island, Miss., in ballast, 3 officers and 15 crew. June 19, German ship *Nereide*, to New York, in ballast, 3 officers and 22 crew. June 20, Cunard Line steamship *Ultonia*, to Boston, 63 steerage passengers with 125 pieces baggage passed. June 21, White Star Line steamship *Majestic*, to New York, 20 saloon, 60 second-cabin, and 135 steerage passengers, with 230 pieces baggage passed.

The health of the port is good. The small epidemic of scarlet fever that prevailed here for about three weeks is a thing of the past. The disease occurred first among some soldiers at one of the forts near the harbor entrance. These cases were brought to the military hospital, which is located in the eastern part of the city on the shore. At first some of these cases were landed at a pier some distance from the hospital and had to be taken through thickly populated streets in order to reach the hospital. One child, sick of the disease, admitted that he had followed one of the sick soldiers through the streets. Later the cases were landed directly at the hospital. The disease among the children was very mild.

Respectfully,

J. H. OAKLEY,
Passed Assistant Surgeon. U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

ITALY.

Rio de Janeiro declared infected with plague.

WASHINGTON, D. C., *June 26, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to inclose copy of a note from the Italian ambassador at this capital stating that the port of Rio de Janeiro has been declared by his Government infected with the plague.

Respectfully,

JOHN HAY,
Secretary of State.

Hon. SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

[Inclosure—Translation.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., *June 20, 1900.*

SIR: I have received to-day and have the honor to transcribe the following telegram from the royal minister of the interior:

“ROME, *June 20, 1900.*

“*Italian Embassy, Washington:*

“An ordinance of to-day applies to all arrivals from Rio de Janeiro, declared infected by the plague, the dispositions of ordinances of May 8, 1897, No. 3; of July 15, 1897, No. 6; of June 12, 1899, No. 6; June 16, 1899, No. 7; of January 24, 1900, No. 1; of March 1, 1900, No. 8, and of April 7, 1900, No. 10.

“BERTOLINI.”

Accept, Mr. Secretary of State, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

FAVA.

Hon. SECRETARY OF STATE.

ITALY.

Report from Genoa.

GENOA, ITALY, *June 18, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith the abstract of bills of health and the regular report for the week ended June 16, 1900: Seven